

Chapter 771: Dogfood

The appearance of Gong Tianhao and Xiao Lingyu was so shocking that many people didn't come back to their senses for a long time.

Naturally, there were all kinds of activities for the annual meeting.

After Xiao Lingyu and Gong Tianhao arrived, they sat in their assigned seats.

The hosts were Li Yuanhang and another female executive. Their hosting skills were pretty good.

"Next, we would like to invite the big boss to come on stage and speak for everyone!"

After Gong Tianhao came on stage, his words were concise and comprehensive. "Hello everyone. I am Gong Tianhao. I am here to thank all of you for your hard work over the past year. I hope that everyone will continue to work hard as usual in the future and develop the beautiful future of the imperial group together.

"I have always followed the same principle: there will always be a reward for the hardworking people. You are all the top executives and elites in the company. As long as you work hard, I will not treat any of you unfairly..."

Gong Tianhao rarely participated in the usual activities, but he would attend the annual meetings. Gong Tianhao did not say anything fancy. He just encouraged everyone to work hard and develop together with the imperial group.

This year, he started his speech the same way. But then, he ended it differently.

Gong Tianhao continued, "Next, let me introduce my wife, Xiao Lingyu!" He personally came down the stage to welcome Xiao Lingyu. Then, the two of them went up together.

Gong Tianhao continued, "This is my wife, Xiao Lingyu. She is also my lover. I hope that everyone in the company will respect her as they respect me when they see her."

Gong Tianhao was telling everyone that Xiao Lingyu was his lover. He was also telling everyone that if anyone dared to offend her, he would not be polite.

"Hello, everyone. I am Xiao Lingyu!" Xiao Lingyu smiled and greeted everyone. She continued, "If your big boss bullies you, feel free to tell me. I will take care of him for you!"

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"Haha..." As soon as Xiao Lingyu finished speaking, the audience burst into laughter.

The joke reflected the fact that the relationship between the boss and the Lady Boss was good. The boss indeed loved the lady boss deeply.

Gong Tianhao's expression was as gentle as water, and his eyes were extremely dotting. He stared at his wife, who had made a joke of him. He didn't mind it. He even enjoyed this feeling.

In the end, Gong Tianhao added, "Your lady boss might make me kneel to pay penance. So, for the sake of our harmonious relationship, you shouldn't bother her anymore."

As soon as Gong Tianhao finished speaking, the entire place fell silent. Everyone's pupils contracted as if they had seen a ghost. They were in disbelief.

'Big Boss... is he making a joke?'

'Damn, our cold and ruthless big boss knows how to make a joke?'

Then, there was a small discussion.

"Did you guys notice that Big Boss's expression when he looked at the lady boss? It was so gentle!"

"It was so sweet that our teeth hurt. Every hero falls for a beauty. Who would have thought our wise, divine, handsome, and ruthless big boss would one day fall for beauty too?"

"Hehe... the way the big boss looked at the lady boss was really too sweet. But did you guys feel... feel..."

"Feel what?" The colleague next to him asked in puzzlement.

The man rolled his eyes, then covered his mouth and said with a smile, "Don't you feel that the big boss and his wife are purposely showing off?"

"Now that you mention it, it does feel that way. Now I'm sad because it reminds me of how single I am."

"By the way, the lady boss is so beautiful and amazing. It is not surprising that our Big Boss fell for her."

As soon as she finished speaking, a colleague beside her frowned slightly and asked with slight disapproval, "Do you mean that the big boss is only interested in her beauty?"

"I'm just telling the truth. The lady boss is really beautiful." The person shrugged.

Her colleague was about to say something else when there was a cheer.

It turned out that the lucky draw had begun. The lucky draw was a staple activity in the annual meeting. The Imperial Group was a big business with a lot of money.

Every year, the rewards for the lucky draw were especially big. For example, there was the latest model of a Lamborghini sports car last year. The car was worth millions.

Most of these executives and regional managers earned more than ten million dollars a year, but they wouldn't splurge on a Lamborghini sports car. Therefore, some of them placed their hope on the lucky draw.

Grand Prize: a Lamborghini Sports Car

First Prize: 5x three months of paid leave.

Second Prize: 10x One Million RMB

Third Prize: 20x 300,000 RMB

The rest is the incentive prize: 100,000 cash. Basically, everyone present would get a prize. Those who can attend the company's annual meeting are capable, talented, and do not lack money.

Therefore, most people only wished for the sports car and paid leave. Actually more preferred the latter. These people didn't lack money. What they lacked was time to rest.

The lucky draw was set up. The staff prepared a cardboard box with cards in it. Each person would draw the cards from the box and scratch the cards. Then they would know which prize they had won.

"It's time to start the lucky draw. I hope I get paid vacation for three months. I'm going abroad to have some fun."

"Come on. You fly all over the country daily. Haven't you had enough fun?"

"That's true, but I fly for work. How can I relax and have fun when I'm working?"

"I also want a three-month paid vacation."

Most people wanted the first and second prizes.

"Alright. Let's start the lucky draw now."

The HR Department manager carried the box and walked around the venue. The first table he visited was occupied by Gong Tianhao and a few major shareholders.

When the box was placed in front of Xiao Lingyu, Xiao Lingyu was stunned. Then she smiled and said, "Can I draw too?"

Gong Tianhao smiled and said, "Yes."

Xiao Lingyu was a little puzzled as she asked, "Then what if I get the paid leave?"

Everyone, "..."

Then, Xiao Lingyu politely refused, "I'm not going to participate. You can just give me a participation reward."

Gong Tianhao nodded and told the manager. "Okay, we won't participate in the lucky draw. You can take it to another table."

The shareholders were people who didn't work for a long time and didn't lack money. They didn't need to participate in the lucky draw.

"Ah, I won the first prize!" Soon, someone exclaimed excitedly.

"Wow, you're so lucky!" Many people immediately congratulated him.

"Sigh, I won the third prize!"

"I got the participation prize."

This lucky draw was about participation. In fact, this was basically the company giving gifts to its workers.

After one round, the results of the lucky draw were clear.

The special prize, first-class prize, and second-class prize prizes were personally distributed by Gong Tianhao. The other prizes were handed out by Li Yuanhang.

After the lucky draw was over, it was time for the dance party.

The opening dance was, of course, led by the Big Boss and the Lady Boss.

Many people knew that Xiao Lingyu was a village girl from the countryside, but they did not know if this village girl knew how to do an international pas de deux.

If she did not dance well, she would be laughed at.

Some people were looking forward to it, but in their hearts, they were disdainful and contemptuous.

‘This woman relies on her looks to make the big boss like her. However, she is most likely a vase. She will embarrass herself and fall out of favor.’ A part of them was looking forward to such a scene.

However, they did not know that Xiao Lingyu had been in the workplace for many years in her previous life. She had seen all kinds of people and faced all kinds of occasions.

When the tango dance song “Poruna Abeza” was played, colorful neon lights rotated and flickered in all directions.

Li Yuanhang held the microphone and said loudly, “Next, Big Boss and Lady Boss will give us an opening dance.”

A wave of cheers sounded.

Gong Tianhao stood up and reached out his hand. He said to Xiao Lingyu in a gentlemanly manner, “Dear beautiful lady, can I invite you to dance?”

The Big Boss’ actions that night shocked many people. It was as though he had changed into a different person.

Some of the employees couldn’t help but complain. ‘The Big Boss needs to stop shoving us with dogfood.’

Many people wanted to see if the lady boss knew how to dance.

Xiao Lingyu smiled and placed her hand in Gong Tianhao’s palm. She smiled and said, “Of course!”

Then, the two of them held hands and walked into the center of the dance floor.

The music started playing again!

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“Do you think this lady boss knows how to do the tango?” Luo Xuejun turned her head and whispered to Fang Linlin, “I heard that lady boss is from the countryside.”

In their hearts, some of them still looked down on Xiao Lingyu because she came from the countryside. In their impression, the village girl should look like a country bumpkin. However, the lady boss did not

look like a country bumpkin at all. She even had a personality charm that instantly caught everyone's eye.

Fang Linlin's gaze on Xiao Lingyu was jealous and angry. Fang Linlin gritted her teeth and said, "She's just a woman from the countryside. I bet she only studied tango a few days ago. How good of a dancer can she be?"

Luo Xuejun finally caught Fang Linlin's tone. There was a hint of jealousy. Luo Xuejun turned to study Fang Linlin's expression. Then, without saying anything, she moved away from Fang Linlin. 'This Fang Linlin must be crazy to harbor evil thoughts towards the lady boss. When Big Boss finds out, she will definitely be in big trouble.'

In order to avoid being implicated, Luo Xuejun felt that it was better for her to stay away.

Someone noticed this and intercepted Luo Xuejun. The male employee whispered, "You should stay far away from Fang Linlin. She seems to have ill intentions towards the lady boss. A few days ago, she openly said in the group chat that the lady boss is a country bumpkin who isn't worthy of the big boss or something."

Luo Xuejun was shocked. "That is none of her business. Our Big Boss can make his own decision. Who is she to talk about it?"

"You're right. Fang Linlin is lost. She always feels that no one is worthy of the Big Boss."

"Does it mean only she is worthy?" Luo Xuejun gasped, "Is she interested in Big Boss?"

Her colleagues immediately said, "Actually, it's normal for her to be interested in the big boss. After all, Big Boss is young, handsome, and rich. There are a few women who aren't interested. However, being interested and doing something about it is different.

"When the Big Boss was still single, she didn't dare to confess. Now that the Big Boss has a wife and children, she wants to be his mistress?! But compared to the lady boss, what is she? The Big Boss will make an easy choice."

As colleagues, it was inappropriate for them to talk about Fang Linlin like this. However, in the business world, the basic knowledge was to know one's place!

If Fang Linlin wanted to court death herself, then no one else could be blamed.

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At this moment, the music started playing. Gong Tianhao and Xiao Lingyu held hands and walked toward the center of the dance floor.

As the music started to beat, Gong Tianhao and Xiao Lingyu started to dance as well.

When they started their first dance step, everyone was shocked.

The people present were all elites in the business world. They were masters in the international pas de deux.

Therefore, from the moment Gong Tianhao brought Xiao Lingyu up to dance, it could be seen that this lady boss was an expert. Furthermore, her dance skills were superb. She did not seem to be a little flustered.

The waves of exclamations could be heard continuously.

“How can the lady boss dance so well?”

“Tango is not an easy dance. She must have a very good foundation.”

Gong Tianhao and Xiao Lingyu kept changing their dance moves. Their dance moves were gorgeous, elegant, and beautiful. The cross steps, kicks, jumps, and spins were dazzling, causing waves of amazement and praise.

After the music stopped, many people were still immersed in the beautiful and fierce dance moves.

At some time, the applause suddenly sounded. Then, the hall was filled with waves of enthusiastic applause.

When someone was clapping, he couldn't hold back his curiosity and praised, “Lady boss, your tango is so good.” Then, he asked, “Have you learned it before?”

Xiao Lingyu nodded and said, “Yes, I learned it in college. Later, when I was working in the company, I continued to study it.”

“Oh.” The man nodded with understanding. “We also learned the tango in school, but we're not as good as you!”

At this time, someone said with a smile, “Sometimes, talent plays a huge role. Didn't you see it just now? The lady boss' poise is perfect. You can tell that she is talented in dance. How can you compare yourself to her?”

This was obvious flattery, but it sounded nice to the ears.

Fang Linlin, who was in the crowd, did not see Xiao Lingyu make a fool of herself. She felt a little indignant, but when she heard one or two of her colleagues praising Xiao Lingyu, her eyes flashed with anger.

She cursed in her heart, ‘These sycophants only know how to kiss ass. So what if this woman knows how to dance? It can't change the fact that she was born a country bumpkin. Eventually, she'll be knocked back to her real form!’

Fang Linlin endured the anger. She stepped forward with a smile on her face.

“Lady Boss, your dance moves are really good!” Fang Linlin said with a smile.

Xiao Lingyu said politely, “Thank you!”

Then, Fang Linlin asked, “Lady Boss, may I take the liberty to ask? You said that you learned to tango in university. I want to ask, where did you go to university? How did you have so much time to learn dance?” When she asked this, she thought to herself, ‘She must have gone to those low-class universities.’

When Fang Linlin asked this, the expressions of some people around her changed. They glanced at her and quietly moved away from her.

'This Fang Linlin is really out of her mind. She is trying to provoke the lady boss. Can't she see the boss' dark face?'

Many people had a premonition that this might be Fang Linlin's last night at Imperial Palace.

But what Fang Linlin said next spelled her doom.

Fang Linlin didn't wait for Xiao Lingyu's reply and continued to say with a smile, "Sigh, I really envy you, Lady Boss. When you were in university, you had so much time to learn dance. Unlike me... in the HF university in country M or JQ University in country Y, the competition was too intense. In order to not lose out, we only have time to study!"

Her meaning was clear. She was intentionally showing off to Xiao Lingyu. At the same time, she was hinting to Xiao Lingyu that the people present were all graduates of top universities in the world.

Without waiting for Xiao Lingyu to respond, Fang Linlin's voice sounded again. This time, her voice was obviously excited, and her eyes revealed an infatuated admiration.

She said, "Big Boss, I heard that you also graduated from the HF University in M Nation. Speaking of which, I'm your junior. I've always heard about your legend in school, and I've always admired you. After graduating from HF University, I declined the invitations of the major companies in the M Nation and resolutely entered the Imperial Group."

The moment these words were said, the faces of everyone present changed.

'This Fang Linlin...'

Xiao Lingyu secretly sneered. 'What does this woman mean?'

'Is she trying to make me feel inferior? Or is she trying to remind me that I'm not good enough for Tianhao?'

'Also, she really needs to rub away the saliva on her chin when she looks at Tianhao.'

'This girl is funny. Do I not exist in her eyes?'

'This is really interesting.'

But it did annoy Xiao Lingyu that her husband was being openly coveted by another woman.

Gong Tianhao couldn't even be bothered with Fang Linlin. Just as he was about to order Li Yuanhang to fire her, Xiao Lingyu tugged at his sleeve, and he received a hint from her eyes.

'Alright, since Yu 'Er wanted to play...'

Xiao Lingyu's expression was a little confused, "You graduated from HF University. Is the work at HF University really very busy? No wonder the workers at my company from HF University are so bad at dancing too. It's a pity that I only got into South University in the country."

Everyone was stunned at first, and then they burst into laughter.

“Haha...”

“Lady boss is really too talented!”

“Haha...”

This Fang Linlin wanted to use her degree from HF university to pressure the lady boss and make her feel inferior. However, she forgot that the lady boss had started a large company with assets of tens of billions. Of course, she would be able to deal with this situation. Or else she would be swallowed by the sharks in the business world already.

Therefore, the reply was sharp.

‘So what if you graduated from HF University? You are working for others, but the lady boss has people from HF University working for her!’

The comparison between the two sides was obvious.

Fang Linlin’s face turned red and green from Xiao Lingyu’s rebuke.

She never expected Xiao Lingyu to be so eloquent. She didn’t know how to respond.

She was ridiculed and looked down upon by everyone. She was angry, anxious, and aggrieved.

She looked like she wanted to cry. She looked at Gong Tianhao with a regretful expression and said aggrievedly, “Senior, I...”

“Get lost!” Before she could finish, Gong Tianhao spat out a word coldly.

Then, he ordered Li Yuanhang sternly, “Special Assistant Li, from today onwards, I don’t want to see this woman in our company again!”

“Okay!” Li Yuanhang nodded and replied.

Everyone thought this was expected.

Only Fang Linlin’s eyes revealed shock and disbelief when she heard Gong Tianhao’s words.

It was a pity that Gong Tianhao completely ignored her!

Gong Tianhao went forward to hug Xiao Lingyu and said very gently, “Yu ‘Er, you must be tired from dancing just now. Let’s go back and rest now!”

Everyone, “...”

Welp, this was Fang Linlin’s own fault.

Chapter 773: Reunion

After the annual meeting of the Imperial Group, it was already Chinese New Year’s eve. One more day, and it would be the new year.

After Gong Tianhao and Xiao Lingyu had dealt with some matters, the two of them returned to the Peach Blossom Village.

Xiao Lingye returned two days before them. His company was much smaller than Gong Tianhao and Xiao Lingyu's, but there were also many things to do in a small company, especially when they had recently received a big order.

He and his friends worked through the night for a few days and finally managed to finish more than half of the order. New Year was coming, so they decided to finish the other half after New Year.

Xiao Lingye wanted to get together with his family as soon as possible. After all, ever since he went to university, the time he spent with his family was extremely short. Hence, whenever he had the time, he wanted to cherish it. He did not wait for his sister and brother-in-law to go back together.

When Xiao Lingye returned, Gong Tianhao also used a helicopter to send him back. Initially, a few others students were supposed to come back to Xing Yin County with him, but Xiao Lingye got too busy. His friends didn't wait for him and returned first. It was a shame because if they had waited, they would have known Xiao Lingye's background.

Hearing the sound of the helicopter, the Xiao family immediately knew that Gong Tianhao and Xiao Lingyu had returned.

"Mommy, Daddy, you're back!" The plane had just stopped when Xiao Letong rushed over and hugged Xiao Lingyu's calf. Xiao Ling followed beside him.

Xiao Lingyu bent down and carried Xiao Letong up. Then, she weighed him and asked suspiciously, "Son, why do I feel that you've gotten heavier? Did you eat more?"

Gong Tianhao held Xiao Ling in his arms and pinched his little face. He smiled and said, "Ling 'Er is still very obedient."

Xiao Letong immediately defended himself, "Mommy, look at me. Didn't you notice that I've grown taller? Isn't it normal for me to grow taller and heavier?"

Xiao Lingyu, "...". Her son was becoming more and more eloquent. They couldn't refute him! It was normal for children to grow taller and heavier.

Xiao Lingyu held her son in her arms. She was still suspicious. Her son had grown too much. He was three, but he looked like he was six.

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Then, Xiao Lingyu comforted herself and thought to herself, 'Maybe it has to do with the spring water. Hopefully, he won't grow into a giant.'

When they heard that Xiao Lingyu and Gong Tianhao had returned, a few children from the Xiao family ran over to welcome them. Some of the children from the village also ran over.

"Auntie!" Rourou and Lulu were already eight or nine years old. They were very cute and pretty. The two sisters looked like Xiao Lingyun.

Xiao Lingyu put down his son and gently stroked their soft hair. She smiled and said, "Rourou and Lulu have grown taller again. They have become even more beautiful too!"

The two girls were very happy to hear that. They were also very sweet. They smiled and said, "Auntie, you are also becoming more and more beautiful. And uncle, you are becoming more and more handsome. You are becoming more and more compatible with our Auntie."

Everyone liked to hear praises. However, Gong Tianhao was used to being fawned on. He had heard so many praises in his life. But, he was very happy to hear the praises from the two girls. He smiled and said, "You two girls are so sweet!"

Rourou's eyes flashed with a bright light as she smiled and said, "Uncle, give us a big new year's gift, and we'll be even sweeter."

Gong Tianhao was stunned for a moment before he laughed out loud, "Haha, good! Then uncle will definitely give you two sisters a big red packet."

Xiao Letong did not want to be outdone and said loudly, "And me, and me, I want a big red packet too!"

Xiao Ling didn't say anything, but his big round eyes were shining as he looked at Gong Tianhao.

Gong Tianhao said in a good mood, "Good, good, everyone will have a big red packet!"

At this moment, Grandpa Xiao and Old Master Gong walked over and looked at the children. They smiled and said, "The new year hasn't even arrived yet, and you kids are already thinking of a big red packet?"

Rourou smiled and said, "Great-grandfather, New Year's Eve is tomorrow. It's not too early for us to think about this."

Old Master Gong smiled and said, "Then I'll give each of you a big red packet too!" In the past, he would also give out red packets during the new year. He would give red packets to his second brother's family, but they were never satisfied with the amount.

"Thank you, great-grandfather!" Rourou, Lulu, and the other children replied happily.

As they spoke, they returned to the Xiao family.

Xiao Lingyu was already married to Gong Tianhao, and so according to tradition, they should spend the New Year in Beijing. However, the Gong and Xiao Families were very close. Furthermore, Old Master Gong was happier to be with the Xiao Family. He liked spending time with them. As for other people's gossip, they didn't care. What did this have to do with others anyway?

"Yu 'Er, Tianhao, you're back!"

"Sis, brother-in-law!"

As soon as they returned to the Xiao family, everyone's happy voices could be heard. However, since it was almost New year, everyone was busy.

Xiao Xiaohui ran over and said, "Sis, your timing is perfect. It's almost time to eat."

Xiao Lingshuo also walked over and said, "Auntie said that you guys would be back today. The whole family is finally gathered at one spot, so we've been preparing for the meal since morning."

Gong Tianhao looked at Xiao Lingshuo and looked at Xiao Lingyu with a slightly puzzled expression. He said with some hesitation, "Is... this Shuo 'Er?"

"Brother-in-law, it's me!" Xiao Lingshuo said with a smile.

Gong Tianhao said with a smile, "People say that women change a lot after they are 18. But men will transform too. Shuo 'Er has grown into a handsome young man."

Xiao Lingshuo's face turned slightly red. He said with a smile, "I'm almost eighteen years old. I haven't changed that much."

Gong Tianhao suddenly thought of something and said, "Shuo 'Er, are you going to take the college entrance examination soon?"

Xiao Lingshuo nodded and said, "Yes, the college entrance examination will be held in the first half of next year."

Xiao Xiaohui immediately said from the side, "Brother-in-law, fourth brother's results are very good, just as good as third brother's."

When Gong Tianhao heard this, he was very happy. He said, "Oh, then there won't be any problems getting into a first-class university."

"There definitely won't be any problems," Xiao Xiaohui answered for him.

Gong Tianhao nodded and asked, "Then, do you have a favorite or ideal university?"

Xiao Lingshuo said, "I want to get into Imperial university like Big Brother!"

Imperial University was the best university in the entire country. With his results, he definitely wanted to get into the best university.

Gong Tianhao suddenly asked, "Shuo 'Er, do you want to study abroad?"

As soon as Gong Tianhao said that, even Xiao Lingyu was a little surprised.

Xiao Lingshuo was stunned. "Study abroad?" He had never thought of studying abroad.

Gong Tianhao nodded and replied, "Yes!"

Xiao Lingshuo reacted and asked in disbelief, "Is that even possible?"

Gong Tianhao said seriously, "If your grades are as good as Ye 'Er's, there's no problem for you to study abroad."

Xiao Lingyu said at this moment, "Shuo 'Er, I also think this is not a bad idea."

In the past, their finances were limited, so she and Ye 'Er chose a domestic university. However, things were different now. Now that Xiao Lingshuo had the qualifications to study abroad, they would offer him the chance.

When Xiao Lingshuo heard that he could study abroad, his mind wavered, but he still didn't feel very confident. He asked again, "Sis, brother-in-law, can I really study abroad?"

Gong Tianhao thought for a moment and asked, "If you can study abroad, which school do you want to go to?"

"HF University!" Xiao Lingshuo said without thinking. HF university was the best university in the world.

Gong Tianhao nodded, "Alright, with your current results, there shouldn't be any problems with your college entrance examination results. Then you should study English well and pass the TOEFL. Leave the rest to me. I will hire a teacher for you to carry out intensive classes."

Actually, both Gong Tianhao and Xiao Lingyu were very rich. If they wanted Xiao Lingshuo to go to HF, they only needed to donate a sum of money.

However, Gong Tianhao still wanted Xiao Lingshuo to use his real talents and get into HF on his own.

"Thank you, brother-in-law!" Xiao Lingshuo did not refuse. If there were a chance to go to HF university, he would definitely not refuse. Then, Xiao Lingshuo said, "I'll go and tell my parents now."

Xiao Lingyu nodded and said, "Indeed, we should tell third uncle and third aunt. We should discuss it with the whole family. Go!"

After Xiao Lingshuo left, Xiao Lingyu noticed that Xiao Xiaohui's expression was a little downcast.

"Xiaohui, what's wrong?" Xiao Lingyu asked in confusion.

Xiao Xiaohui said, "Sis, all of you went to university. Fourth Brother might go to university abroad. I... I... My results are so bad. I might not even get into high school, much less a good university."

Speaking of this, Xiao Lingyu was a little speechless.

The children of the Xiao family all studied very well. Xiao Lingyu, Xiao Lingye, Xiao Lingshuo, and even Xiao Lingyun's daughters were doing exceptionally well in their studies.

However, Xiao Xiaohui was an exception.

Xiao Xiaohui's IQ was not lower than any of them, and he was very smart. However, his intelligence was not focused on his studies. He was too active, and he only wanted to play all day long.

Just as Xiao Lingyu was thinking about whether she should console Xiao Xiaohui's broken heart, Xiao Xiaohui raised his head and asked seriously, "Sis, is it my name? Does it not sound like a member of the Xiao Family?"

"Huh?" Xiao Lingyu did not know how to react.

Xiao Xiaohui lowered his head and said while counting his fingers, "Sis, think about it. Your name is Xiao Lingyu, second sister is Xiao Lingyun, third brother is Xiao Lingye, and fourth brother is Xiao Lingshuo. Why am I called Xiao Xiaohui and not Xiao Linghui? Perhaps the word Ling is important."

Xiao Lingyu, "...". She did not know how to answer.

Xiao Xiaohui thought for a moment and said, "Sis, do you think that if I change my name to Xiao Linghui, will I become a straight-a student like the rest of you?"

Xiao Lingyu was a little speechless and wanted to roll her eyes. 'What does that have to do with anything?'

Xiao Lingyu did not explain anything. She only asked, "Xiaohui, do you want to change your name?"

Xiao Xiaohui thought for a moment and said, "Yes. We have a big family, but only my name is different. I want to change my name!"

Xiao Lingyu was silent for a moment before she said, "Xiaohui, after you change your name, will you study hard?"

Xiao Xiaohui immediately replied, "Yes, I definitely will!"

Xiao Lingyu sighed and said, "Alright, go and tell your parents. See if they agree or not."

Xiao Xiaohui immediately said happily, "Thank you, Big Sis!"

Xiao Lingyu laughed and said, "Alright, we don't know if your parents will agree or not. Don't get too excited just yet."

Xiao Xiaohui immediately said, "Sis, with your help, this matter will definitely succeed."

After Xiao Xiaohui left, Gong Tianhao asked curiously, "Actually, why isn't Xiaohui's name Linghui?"

Xiao Lingyu said, "When Xiaohui was born, Grandpa got a master to calculate his life chart. It was all because of Feng Shui."

Gong Tianhao understood, "If that's the case, would his parents agree to the name change?" People in the villager really believe in Feng Shui. It was unclear if fourth uncle and fourth aunt would be willing to change Xiaohui's name.

Xiao Lingyu shrugged and said with a smile, "What era is it now? My fourth uncle and fourth aunt probably don't believe in that anymore. I'll try to talk to them. But the biggest issue should be Grandpa. He was the one who hired the master. And he still believes a lot of the older superstitions."

Gong Tianhao, "..."

"Yu 'Er, Tianhao, what are you two still standing there for? The food is ready. Come and eat." Fourth Aunt Xiao came out of the kitchen with a plate of dishes. When she saw the young couple standing in the courtyard, she called out.

"Coming, fourth aunt!" Xiao Lingyu and Gong Tianhao walked into the house.

With the whole family gathered together, there needed to be more than one table. Therefore, there were two tables in the living room, and dishes were already served on the tables.

The elders sat at one table, and the juniors sat at the other!

Xiao Letong and Xiao Ling were already sitting in their seats obediently. In front of the two of them, there were their own bowls and chopsticks.

Xiao Letong looked at Xiao Lingyu, who had just entered the room. He raised his head and said with a smile, "Mommy, our family is finally reunited today!"

Xiao Lingyu was stunned for a moment before she said with a slightly moved expression, "That's right, everyone is finally reunited today!"

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Everyone from both families had gathered.

During the meal, third aunt Xiao couldn't help but ask excitedly, "Tianhao, Shuo 'Er told me about the chance that he could study abroad."

Gong Tianhao nodded and said, "Yes, Shuo 'Er has the qualifications to study abroad. Furthermore, he is good at his studies. Shuo 'Er also said that he wanted to study at HF University. As long as he passed the TOEFL test, there would be no problem for him to enter HF University."

In the past, the best university third uncle and third aunt Xiao had heard of was Imperial Capital. However, after doing business for the past few years, their knowledge had widened. Therefore, they had heard of HF University too. The HF University in the M Nation was the top university in the world. If their son could attend that university, they would be very happy.

However, the couple looked at their son carefully. Their expressions were not very confident. Could their son really be able to get into HF university?

Xiao Lingshuo noticed his parents' expressions and said confidently, "Mom, don't worry. Brother-in-law said that with my results, it wouldn't be a problem for me to get into HF University."

After hearing that, third uncle and third aunt Xiao turned to look at Gong Tianhao.

Gong Tianhao nodded and said, "There shouldn't be much of a problem with Shuo 'Er's test results, but the biggest issue is English. However, third uncle and third aunt, don't worry. I'll get a professional teacher to help Shuo 'Er!"

Third uncle and third aunt Xiao immediately said gratefully, "Tianhao, thank you so much!"

In the past, they had always hoped that Xiao Lingshuo would be able to enter a normal university. Later, when they saw that his results were good, they had always hoped that he would be able to enter Imperial University like Xiao Lingye.

If it weren't for Gong Tianhao's words, they would never have thought of letting their child study abroad.

Old Master Gong smiled and said, "It's not bad to study abroad. It's good to broaden your horizons."

The others echoed, "That's right. Since you can study abroad, you should take the chance!"

"Shuo 'Er, you have to work hard. Don't be arrogant and complacent. Don't disappoint your brother-in-law, understand?" Grandpa Xiao said sternly.

"Yes, Grandpa, I will definitely work hard!" Xiao Lingshuo said sincerely.

"Shuo 'Er, you can do it!"

The others all cheered Xiao Lingshuo on. At this moment, Xiao Xiaohui suddenly said loudly, "Dad, Mom, I want to change my name. I want to enter university too!"

When Xiao Xiaohui shouted this, everyone quieted down first. Then, Fourth Aunt Xiao said, "Son, what did you say? Do you want to enter a university?"

The children of the Xiao family were very good at studying. The only exception was her son. Whenever he was told to read, he would doze off. During classes, He went up to the trees to catch birds and went down to the river to catch fish. He was full of energy.

The couple had done everything they could to make sure that Xiao Xiaohui would study, but it was to no avail. They had already given up hope. If he didn't want to study, then so be it. Anyway, as long as the child lived a peaceful life, it would be fine.

But suddenly, the child suddenly expressed the idea of going to university. This made the couple so excited that they almost burst into tears.

Xiao Xiaohui said very seriously, "Dad, Mom, I want to change my name. Big sister is called Xiao Lingyu, second sister is called Xiao Lingyun, third brother is called Xiao Lingye, fourth brother is called Xiao Lingshuo, and only I am called Xiao Xiaohui. Their names have the word 'ling', so I must be an oddity. Everyone has good studies except for me. Therefore, I've decided to change my name, and I'm now called Xiao Linghui. I think that after I change my name, I'll definitely study hard, and I'll definitely be able to get into university in the future!"

The chopsticks in fourth aunt Xiao's hands weren't held firmly, and they fell to the ground in an instant.

"Son... Son, what did you say?" Fourth Aunt Xiao asked in a daze.

When Xiao Xiaohui saw his mother's expression, he instinctively shrank his neck. However, in order to have a good name in the future, he said with his chest puffed out, "Mom, I said that I want to change my name. I want to be called Xiao Linghui. This name is so beautiful. Moreover, after changing my name, I will definitely be able to learn well. The name, Xiao Xiaohui, is really terrible!"

"No!" Fourth aunt Xiao rejected him without thinking. The master said that Xiao Xiaohui's name mustn't be changed, or there would be tragedies.

"Why not?" Xiao Xiaohui retorted unhappily, "Brother, sister, and the rest all have such nice names, so why do my names have to be so basic? I want to be called Xiao Linghui, and Big Sis has agreed to this. If you don't believe me, you can ask Big Sis!"

Xiao Xiaohui directly dragged Xiao Lingyu into the matter. After all, his Big Sis did promise to help him.

As soon as Xiao Xiaohui finished speaking, everyone's gaze turned to Xiao Lingyu.

Xiao Lingyu's expression froze, then she forced a smile and said, "Uh, Xiaohui did come to me to ask about the name change..." She thought to herself, 'Why did he drag me into this? Now, the whole family is looking at me.'

Fourth Aunt Xiao was very determined. She said, "No. You can change your name, but you can't have the word Ling in your name." It was better to trust the master than not.

Xiao Xiaohui argued, "But Mom, why can't I use the word Ling?"

"Because the master said that the name of your second syllable has to have more than one vowel."

Xiao Xiaohui countered, "But Ling has more than one vowel!"

Everyone, "... Where did this child go to study? Shouldn't he be in middle school already?"

There were a few black lines on the foreheads of fourth uncle and fourth aunt Xiao, and their temples were throbbing.

Fourth Aunt Xiao gritted her teeth and said, "The word Ling only has one vowel. I told you to study hard. See, you don't even know the most basic knowledge."

Xiao Xiaohui said with a slight grievance, "I also want to study hard. But when I see a book, I want to sleep. What can I do?"

Fourth uncle Xiao said speechlessly, "Sigh. How come your brothers and sisters are all so good at their studies, and you are the only exception?"

Xiao Xiaohui immediately followed up, "Dad, that's why I want to change my name. Once I change my name to Xiao Linghui, I'll be a real child of the Xiao Family. The name Xiao Xiaohui is so common."

Fourth Uncle Xiao was so angry that he laughed and said, "You brat. What does a name have to do with your studies?"

Xiao Xiaohui said with conviction, "It does. If I change my name, maybe I'll become fond of studying. Big Sis, say something. You promised to let me change my name."

"Ahem..." Xiao Lingyu choked on her water. Gong Tianhao immediately patted her shoulder and said, "You need to slow down."

Xiao Lingyu secretly exclaimed, 'This is all Xiao Xiaohui, the brat's fault!' After Xiao Lingyu calmed herself down, she said to her third uncle and third aunt with an embarrassed smile, "Third uncle and third aunt, if Xiaohui wants to change his name, let him change it. He's already so old, and he's fine. In fact, he's a ball of energy." She almost said that they were superstitious. However, this was a master invited by Grandpa Xiao. Xiao Lingyu didn't dare to offend her grandfather.

Xiao Xiaohui immediately nodded and said, "That's right, that's right.."

"Shush!" Fourth Aunt Xiao sternly shouted. Then, she looked at Xiao Lingyu and said, "Yu 'Er, we can't be too careful!"

At this moment, Old Master Gong asked curiously, "What's the problem with the name Linghui?"

Grandfather Xiao said, "When Xiaohui was born, I took his birth date to a master. The master said that Xiaohui's name must have more than one vowel in the second syllable, or he would face big challenges in life. Therefore, I named him Xiao Xiaohui."

"Oh!" Old master Gong nodded. "Since that's the case, this name really can't be randomly changed!" To the older generation, changing a name was equivalent to changing one's fate. It was better not to randomly change a name unless it was absolutely necessary.

Fourth Aunt Xiao said, "Did you hear that? It's not appropriate to randomly change your name."

Xiao Xiaohui suddenly said in an aggrieved and uncomfortable manner, "But if I don't change my name, I don't like to study. I also want to enter university."

Everyone, "..."

This child was really eager to change his name. The problem was, what was the cause and effect between changing his name and loving to study?

The entire family was there. Fourth Aunt Xiao and fourth uncle Xiao did not want to teach the child a lesson on such an occasion.

Fourth Aunt Xiao sighed and said, "Forget it. Let us think about it."

Xiao Xiaohui did not fall for it. He said stubbornly, "No, you have to promise me today that I will change my name."

"Brat, is your butt itching?" Fourth Aunt Xiao was getting worked up and angry. After saying that, she reached out to pull the child's ear.

Xiao Xiaohui immediately ran away.

Eldest Aunt Xiao tried to persuade her, "Fourth sister-in-law, since the child wants to change his name, let's discuss it together. Why don't we discuss it further? Xiaohui, do you agree?"

Xiao Lingyu said, "Yes, fourth aunt, fourth uncle, since Xiaohui wants to change his name, let's consider it. We only need to find a word that has a singular vowel."

Gong Tianhao echoed, "Fourth uncle, fourth aunt. Who knows, Xiaohui's study might improve after the name change."

When fourth uncle and fourth aunt Xiao heard this, they were a little tempted.

Although they did not wish for their son to be the best in class, if he could get better at his studies, it would be good.

Grandpa Xiao then said, "Alright, if Xiaohui wants to change his name, then change it."

With the words of Grandpa Xiao, the issue was settled.

Chapter 775: The New Year

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During New Year's Eve, every family put up lanterns and colored banners.

In the past few years, the standard of living of every family in Taoyuan village improved. Naturally, there was a pursuit for quality of life.

In the past, during the New Year, everyone would at most buy one or two firecrackers to put on, or some people would put up one or two couplets to pray for a better standard of living next year. Then, they would buy some meat and snacks that they were usually reluctant to buy. That was the new year.

Now, every family lived in a new house, and every family bought a new car. They did not lack the money for firecrackers and meat. Therefore, firecrackers and fireworks were a must for every family. They had also prepared a large amount of food to store.

However, Taoyuan Village was now a tourist village. These firecrackers and fireworks could not be randomly placed. They had to be placed at the designated location.

Taoyuan Village closed on the day before New Year's Eve. The entire village was hung with red lanterns and colored lanterns. It was very much like the new year.

The Xiao family had all returned. On the days before the Lunar New Year, everyone, regardless of gender or age, was busy.

They were busy with both work and family. The New Year had to feel like the New Year.

Everyone had already agreed that the lunar new year would be spent at Xiao Lingyu's house.

It had been like this for the past few years. They were no longer separated from each other. During the Lunar New Year, they would usually be at the Xiao family's house. Mother Xiao was good at cooking and was in charge of cooking. The other sisters-in-law would be in charge of helping out.

As for the men, they were in charge of things like cleaning.

In short, the family was very harmonious. They did not care about who did the most work and who did the least.

"Brother-in-law, up a bit. Yes. That's it!"

Gong Tianhao was standing on a stool and sticking couplets at the door.

Xiao Lingshuo was looking at the positioning from below.

It was the first time Gong Tianhao had done something like this since he was born.

In the past, his family would also stick couplets and hang lanterns, but they were all handed to the servants to do. He had never done it himself.

But after marrying Xiao Lingyu, he realized that he had already gone through many firsts, such as washing vegetables, cooking, and cleaning. He was like many ordinary men helping out around the house.

In the past, the Xiao family had no money and did everything by hand. It was not a big deal.

Now, the Xiao family was already a millionaire. It wouldn't be strange for them to hire a few people to do the work.

However, the Xiao family did not do that. They would rather do the work at home themselves.

Over the years, Grandpa Xiao and his wife, as well as the uncles, had built new houses. Xiao Lingyun and her children were originally living with their parents, but Gong Yinxiong was pursuing her harder and harder. The people around them were also trying to set them up. Furthermore, Gong Yinxiong was really

good to her. He did not mind that she had two daughters. In fact, he even doted on the two children more than she did. This was not something that could be done just by putting on an act.

Furthermore, Gong Yingxiong and Gong Tianhao were brothers who trusted each other. Based on her relationship with Xiao Lingyu, if Gong Yingxiong weren't a man worth trusting, Gong Tianhao would stop him from pursuing Xiao Lingyun. Therefore, if there were no accidents, she would definitely marry Gong Yingxiong.

Previously, because of Gong Tianhao's accident, Gong Yingxiong couldn't stay in Taoyuan village.

Later, after Gong Tianhao recovered, Gong Yingxiong stayed in the village and pursued his wife.

Some time ago, Xiao Lingyun and Gong Yingxiong finally confirmed their relationship, and everyone was very happy.

Eldest Uncle and Aunt Xiao immediately decided to build a new house so that their daughter and her new family could move in immediately. After all, it was sometimes inconvenient for a son-in-law to live with his parents-in-law.

When Xiao Lingyun heard that, she was both angry and amused. She said, "Dad, Mom, are you that eager to chase me away?"

Eldest Aunt Xiao rolled her eyes and said, "We're not chasing you away. You're still our daughter even after you get married. Plus, Yingxiong is a good man. You shouldn't let him go. You've already made a mistake once, so you can't make it again."

Xiao Lingyun, "..."

At this moment, Gong Yinxiong hugged Xiao Lingyun and said with a smile, "Dad, Mom, I won't only be your son-in-law in the future, but I'll also be your son. I'll definitely take good care of Yun 'Er, and I'll also take good care of the family too.

When Eldest Aunt Xiao heard this, her eyes turned red, and she said emotionally, "Yes, okay. Yinxiong, I believe in you!"

At this moment, Xiao Lingyun said somewhat speechlessly, "Gong Yinxiong, we haven't even married yet, and you're already calling them mom and dad."

In order to pursue his wife, Gong Yinxiong's face had become very thick. He said, "Anyway, we're going to get married sooner or later. They'll be my parents soon. So it makes no difference."

Xiao Lingyun, "..."

Uncle Xiao and his wife, "..."

Gong Yinxiong's skin was really getting thicker and thicker.

In the end, Gong Yinxiong also agreed to build a house for him and Xiao Lingyun.

Xiao Lingyu's family also expanded, but they didn't build a new house. Instead, they added two new floors. In the past, the house was a two-story building. Now it had been modified into a four-story villa. It was very beautiful.

The couplets had to be pasted everywhere. With the scale of the houses, this work would take half a day.

They started at Father and Mother Xiao's home.

It was Gong Tianhao's first time putting up the couplets, so he was a little rusty. However, practice makes perfect.

Soon, a set of couplets was put up.

After Gong Tianhao got down from the stool, he stood in front of the couplets.

Xiao Lingshuo held the other couplets in his hands and said, "Brother-in-law, bring paste with you. We'll paste more of them! Xiaohui, take these lanterns too!"

Gong Tianhao nodded and said, "Yes, okay. Let's go!"

Xiao Xiaohui followed behind with the lanterns.

Gong Tianhao became more and more familiar with the work. In the morning, all the couplets were pasted, and the lanterns were hung up one by one.

When he saw the couplets, the lanterns, and the sincere smiles of the children around him, Gong Tianhao felt the atmosphere of the New Year for the first time. It was lively and festive.

After putting up all the couplets, Gong Tianhao saw that there was only one set of couplets and a pair of red lanterns left. He asked with some doubt, "Shuo 'Er, why do we have an extra set of lanterns and couplets?"

Xiao Lingshuo covered his mouth and laughed, "Brother-in-law, I knew that you would forget about this."

"Oh?" Gong Tianhao really couldn't remember which family he had forgotten.

Xiao Xiaohui hugged the lantern and almost rolled his eyes. He said with a speechless smile, "Brother-in-law, don't you need to put up the couplets at your own home?"

Gong Tianhao finally reacted and said with a smile, "That's right, the Gong family hasn't put up the couplets yet."

He had been with the Xiao Family so much that he had forgotten about his own home.

The three of them took their things to the Gong family's residence again.

"Eldest young master!" Xiao Zhang and Xiao Wang were cleaning the courtyard.

It was the new year. Apart from Xiao Zhang and Xiao Zhang, who stayed behind, Old Master Gong gave everyone else a holiday. He told them to reunite with their families and come back on the eighth day of the New Year.

Gong Tianhao nodded and instructed Xiao Xiaohui, "Xiaohui, go and bring a stool over."

Xiao Zhang looked at him and asked, "Eldest young master, what are you going to do?"

Gong Tianhao nodded and said, "Paste the spring festival couplets!"

Little Zhang was slightly surprised and said, "Eldest young master, Xiao Wang and I can help you with that."

Gong Tianhao refused, "There's no need."

A moment later, Xiao Xiaohui came out with a plastic stool.

After a while, the spring festival couplets were posted and the red lanterns were hung.

"Okay, done!" Gong Tianhao clapped his hands happily. Then, he asked, "Shuo 'Er, did we miss anything?"

Xiao Lingshuo shook his head and said, "No, brother-in-law!"

Gong Tianhao raised his wrist to look at the time and said, "It's almost time for dinner. Let's go back and eat. Xiao Wang, Xiao Zhang, hurry up."

"Oh, okay, Young Master!" The two of them replied.

After Gong Tianhao left, Xiao Zhang said to Xiao Wang, "Do you feel that ever since young master came to the Taoyuan Village, he has become more humane?"

Xiao Wang nodded his head in agreement and said, "Yes, you're right. Young master is becoming more and more humane. He's no longer the cold and stern young master from before."

Xiao Zhang said in amazement, "If I hadn't seen the eldest young master's changes with my own eyes, who would have thought that a ruthless emperor in the business world would become like this?"

Xiao Wang agreed very much. Then, he said, "Let's quickly pack up and go eat!"

Then, the two of them packed up and went to eat.

It was noon, and everyone was still busy. When it was time to eat, a few people rushed back with sweat all over their heads.

"Where are you guys going? Why are you all sweating?" Eldest Aunt Xiao asked Eldest Uncle Xiao.

Eldest Uncle Xiao said, "Tonight, on New Year's Eve, everyone will set off fireworks. Mingyang and I looked around to see if there were any inflammable and explosive objects around."

Eldest Aunt Xiao asked, "Did you find anything?"

Eldest Uncle Xiao shook his head and said, "No. The villagers have already done several sweeps."

"Then why did you come back with sweat all over your forehead?" Eldest Aunt Xiao asked in puzzlement.

"What else could it be? Isn't it already meal time? Mingyang and I quickly ran back!" Eldest Uncle Xiao said. If they were late, there might not be food for them anymore.

Everyone, "... Their worry was not unfounded.

Xiao Lingyu saw Gong Tianhao return and smiled as she went up to him and asked, "Are you done with the couplets?"

Gong Tianhao nodded and said, "Yes, I'm done."

At this moment, Xiao Xiaohui smiled and said, "Big Sis, brother-in-law almost forgot to paste the couplets at his own home."

Hearing this, Xiao Lingyu also found it funny and said, "Oh, is that so?"

Gong Tianhao didn't admit it and said, "Don't listen to him. I didn't forget at all. How could I forget about my own home?"

Xiao Xiaohui shouted, "Don't worry. I have a witness. Fourth Brother, tell Sis. Didn't brother-in-law forget about his own home?"

Xiao Lingshuo rolled his eyes at Xiao Xiaohui and said, "No!" But in his heart, he thought, 'Let's help brother-in-law save face.'

Xiao Xiaohui, "... " Big Brother-in-law and fourth brother are bullying me.

The members of the Xiao family rushed back one after another.

"Okay, everyone, hurry up and wash your hands. It's time to eat!" Fourth Aunt Xiao came out with a stack of bowls and chopsticks and shouted.

Soon after, everyone in the courtyard rushed to the backwater basin and waited to wash their hands.

Lunch ended happily.

In the afternoon, the atmosphere was really festive.

The sound of children playing and laughing could be heard everywhere.

Just after lunch, many children in the village came to look for Xiao Letong and Xiao Ling to play.

Xiao Letong and Xiao Ling were beautiful and cute. Moreover, they loved cleanliness and hygiene. Most of the children in the village liked to play with them. If they had anything to eat or play with, they would first run to the Xiao Family to give the brothers. This made the parents of these children feel both funny and helpless.

Xiao Ling didn't mind this. Even though he had lived for tens of thousands of years, his mind was very simple. He had never played with children before. Now that he was out of the space, he wanted to play with other children.

However, Xiao Ling had always remembered his identity. Even if he wanted to play, he would follow Xiao Letong.

As for Xiao Letong, he was already an old monster that had lived for thousands of years. Once he returned to the infant stage, he had no choice but to put away his cold and aloof attitude and return to being a child.

In total, he had already passed through three infant stages.

The first was when he was born for the first time. However, Xiao Letong only had a vague memory of that life. His impression was that he was lonely. The children didn't want to play with him, or they came to bully him. So he didn't have a good childhood in that life.

The second time was when he transmigrated. When he was born, he was carried to the Heavenly Mountain sect. In the sect, there were mostly adults. Plus, due to his identity, none of the children dared to play with him. Therefore, he grew up without a playmate.

Now, in this third lifetime, he could finally enjoy a real childhood.

However, seeing the snot-faced children, Xiao Letong was a little afraid. These children were too unhygienic.

However, he also knew that most of the children in the countryside were like this.

Xiao Letong could not tolerate it. His first order as the king of children was to enforce cleanliness. Unhygienic children couldn't play with him. Xiao Letong was a great leader in his previous life. Now, even though he had become a child, his dignity was still there. Every child obeyed his order.

Therefore, no matter how dirty the children in the village normally were, when they went to see Xiao Letong, they would make themselves look very clean.

This made the parents of these children feel helpless, so they could only prepare a few sets of clothes for them a day. Anyway, they were not short of money now. They could still afford a few sets of clothes.

When Xiao Letong and Xiao Ling saw the children in the yard, the other children took out the new toys that the family had bought for them or the new snacks their families had bought for them. Then, they stretched out their hands and handed them to Xiao Letong and said carefully, "Tong Tong, this is the new gun that my dad bought for me. I haven't started playing with it yet. Come, I'll let you play with it. This is the kind of gun that shoots bullets. It's very fun."

"Tong Tong, this is the football that my mom bought for me. Let's play with it later."

"Tong Tong, this is the new candy that my mom bought for me. It's so sweet. Come, eat it!"

"Tong Tong, this is a walnut that my grandma bought for me. It's really delicious. Here, have some!"

All of them were fighting to give Xiao Letong toys and snacks.

Xiao Letong looked at their hands and then glanced at them again. He didn't take their things immediately. Instead, he smiled and said, "The clothes you're wearing today are really beautiful!"

"Is that so? Tong Tong!" All the children were extremely happy to receive Xiao Letong's praise.

"Yes, of course, it's true. They are very beautiful!" Xiao Letong praised them generously.

Because it was the new year, these children were dressed very cheerfully and fashionably. Most of them were dressed in red. They were all very fashionable. Over the years, as the standard of life got better, the children became more well-fed too. When they wore these clothes, they looked really beautiful and cute.

The reason why these people were willing to be led by Xiao Letong was that other than him being beautiful, handsome, and smart, Xiao Letong would praise and criticize them as the situation demanded it. He was a very good leader.

“Tong Tong, can you go out and play with us?” A child asked carefully.

“Yes, Tong Tong, these new toys are really fun. Let’s go out and play together!”

Xiao Letong immediately said with a serious face, “We can go out and play, but we have to be clean, understand? If anyone gets dirt on them or the others, I won’t play with them anymore!”

“Yes, yes, we all know!” The children nodded happily. They had always known that Tong Tong was a very clean and hygienic child.

A moment later, Xiao Letong took Xiao Ling and a group of children outside to play. The children’s happy laughter soon spread throughout the entire village.

With Xiao Letong leading this group of children to play, the parents did not have to worry. These children would never dirty the new clothes that they had just put on.

Taoyuan village was very happy and festive to welcome the new year.

Chapter 776: Making Dumplings

By three or four o’clock in the afternoon, the sound of firecrackers crackling could be heard in Taoyuan Village.

This was to tell everyone that it was the new year!

Soon after, the sound of firecrackers continued to ring out.

The men killed the chickens and ducks. As for the pork, the entire village had killed three pigs, each weighing more than 200 catties. Three of them would weigh 600 to 700 catties. Every household would buy at least a few catties, and that would be enough.

The villagers could buy these things from outside, but they were not as good as those raised in the village.

“Tianhao, do you want to kill the chickens?” Xiao Lingyu was shocked when she heard that Gong Tianhao wanted to follow his father and brothers-in-law. She asked, “Have you killed chickens or ducks before?”

Gong Tianhao shook his head and said, “No!”

“No, then forget it!” Xiao Lingyu stopped him.

Gong Tianhao had never killed chickens and ducks before, so accidents might happen. Xiao Lingyu shivered just thinking about the blood.

“But Yu ‘Er, I really want to help.” Gong Tianhao felt a little embarrassed when he saw that the men in the courtyard were all busy. He was the only one who was idle.

There were many people at home, and they had to prepare a lot of livestock, or there wouldn’t be enough to eat.

Xiao Lingyu immediately noticed Gong Tianhao's eager gaze and said after thinking for a while, "How about this, Tianhao? You definitely don't know how to kill chickens and ducks. With your inexperience, you might end up in a sorry state. You can help pluck the feathers though. Our ducks are very well-raised. Their feathers are especially difficult to pluck and require a lot of patience."

Gong Tianhao smiled and replied, "Yes, I'll do that."

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Xiao Lingyu looked at it and asked hesitantly, "Tianhao, aren't you a germaphobe? These chickens and ducks are very dirty and have a smell. Can you stand it?"

Gong Tianhao's expression froze, and he said, "I... I'll try!"

Xiao Lingyu suggested, "Why don't you do something else?"

Gong Tianhao said speechlessly, "But there's nothing else to do."

It was the New Year. Everything was done. Now, everyone was busy with food.

Xiao Lingyu also frowned. It seemed that there was nothing else to do.

At this moment, mother Xiao came out with a basin of stuffing and said with a smile, "Tianhao, I heard that you people in the capital celebrate the new year by eating dumplings. Today, I also made some dumplings for you. I have made some chive fillings. What other fillings do you like?"

Before Gong Tianhao could respond, Xiao Lingyu's eyes lit up, and she immediately walked over. She asked with a smile, "Mom, will we make dumplings this year?"

Mother Xiao glanced at her and said snappily, "Haven't you married into the Gong Family already? You should know that the people in the north eat dumplings during the new year." Mother Xiao's in-laws loved dumplings. Plus, it was their culture.

Xiao Lingyu stuck out her tongue and said with a smile, "I forgot about it for a moment. Mom, you're very thoughtful. Thank you, Mom!"

At this time, Gong Tianhao walked over and said, "Mom, you don't have to specially make dumplings. Grandpa and I will just eat whatever you cook."

Mother Xiao immediately disapproved and said, "No, we can't do that. Hao 'Er, do you have any dumpling fillings you like? Don't be embarrassed. I'm your mother now. Just tell me what you want to eat."

Gong Tianhao's eyes lit up, and said, "Mom, I would love mushroom, lamb, and beef dumplings."

Mother Xiao smiled and replied, "Okay, I'll prepare it for you now!" Then, she immediately instructed Xiao Lingyu, "Hurry up and roll out the dumplings! Your third aunt is already kneading the dough, and it's almost done."

Xiao Lingyu was stunned. "Ah, Mom, didn't you buy the ready dumpling dough?"

Mother Xiao said, "How is frozen dough tasty? We have to roll out the dough ourselves."

Then, she instructed Gong Tianhao, "Tianhao, you've been busy all day. You must be tired. Just rest for a while."

Xiao Lingyu, "... " How can the treatment be so different? Am I not her biological daughter?

Gong Tianhao took the bowl from Mother Xiao and said with a smile, "Mom, I'm not tired. I'll go with Yu 'Er to make dumplings."

Mother Xiao said with a smile, "That's fine too. You guys go ahead."

Then, Gong Tianhao and Xiao Lingyu carried the bowl and took a rolling pin to the living room.

The smell of chickens and ducks in the yard was very strong, so the dumplings were made in the living room.

When they arrived in the living room, they saw that third aunt Xiao had already kneaded a large dough. She was cutting small pieces and was about to roll out the dough.

Xiao Lingyu walked over. She asked, "Third aunt, how many dumplings are we making?"

Third Aunt Xiao smiled and said, "We got around 20 catties of dough. We need to make about 1,000 to 2,000 dumplings."

Xiao Lingyu's hand that was holding the rolling pin paused. She said in surprise, "Can we finish them all?"

"Why can't we?" Third aunt Xiao said, "There are so many people in our family. In fact, I wonder if this is enough. Besides, even if we can't finish them all, we can still eat them as breakfast."

Xiao Lingyu said in astonishment, "But third aunt, there are so many dumplings. Can we finish making them on time?"

Third aunt Xiao said, "In a while, your grandmother, uncle, and aunt will come over with Yun 'Er. Also, we'll drag anyone who is free to help out!"

Xiao Lingyu could only nod and say, "Okay, the more, the merrier."

Not long after third aunt Xiao said that, grandmother Xiao and eldest aunt Xiao came over from the kitchen.

Xiao Lingyu knew how to roll out the dough. When she wanted to eat dumplings when she was young, she made them herself.

Therefore, as she spoke, she had already rolled out a few pieces of the dough.

Gong Tianhao looked at her from the side and said eagerly, "Yu 'Er, let me help."

Xiao Lingyu looked at him suspiciously, "Do you know how to do it?"

"No." Gong Tianhao said honestly, "But I can learn it. It looks pretty simple."

"Pretty simple?" Xiao Lingyu smiled and said, "Alright, you do it!"

She handed the rolling pin to Gong Tianhao and said, "Come, I'll teach you! Put this dough here and press it gently to flatten it..."

Back then, when she was starting to learn how to cook, it took her a long time to learn how to roll the dough well.

This thing was not something that could be learned in an instant. It required dexterity, flexibility, and so on.

Xiao Lingyu thought that Gong Tianhao would also encounter her problems but in the end...

"Hao 'Er, didn't you say you haven't done this before?" Eldest Aunt Xiao was surprised when she saw that Gong Tianhao had only learned a few moves before he rolled out a thin and medium-sized dumpling skin. "You're really good!"

She thought that Gong Tianhao would not know how to do such things. After all, his brain and hands were used to make money.

The others also said curiously, "Tianhao, you are really good at this. Have you made dumplings before?"

Gong Tianhao shook his head and said, "No. I've never done such things before. This is my first time learning it." As he said that, his hands did not stop moving.

"Are you lying to me?" Xiao Lingyu did not quite believe it. "You did it so well!"

Fourth Aunt Xiao smiled and said, "You child, Tianhao is doing a good job. Why are you questioning him all of a sudden?"

Xiao Lingyu immediately shook her head and said, "I'm not questioning him. I just find it hard to believe."

Fourth aunt Xiao said, "We all know that Tianhao is a genius. Making dumpling skin should be easy for him."

"..." Xiao Lingyu nodded. 'Fine. He is a genius.'

Gong Tianhao, who had received fourth aunt Xiao's praise, said with a smile, "I have never rolled dough or wrapped dumplings before, but we northerners love dumplings. When I was young, I would go into the kitchen during the New Year and watch the masters roll out the dough and make dumplings. Maybe I've picked up some tricks from watching them." When Gong Tianhao said this, he deliberately looked at Xiao Lingyu's serious expression. Then, he picked up some flour and wiped it on Xiao Lingyu's face.

All of a sudden, her clean face became white with the flour.

Xiao Lingyu was stunned for a moment. Then, she stomped her feet and shouted, "Gong Tianhao!" Then, she grabbed some of the flour and threw it at his face. At the same time, she warned, "Don't you dare hide!"

"Haha..."

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The job of rolling the dough was handed over to Gong Tianhao, Xiao Lingyu, and Xiao Lingye. Xiao Lingye and Xiao Lingyu learned how to do this when they were young.

Fourth Aunt Xiao and Xiao Zhengyang helped Mother Xiao in the kitchen. The others helped with wrapping the dumplings.

Old Master Gong saw the commotion and happily came over to join in the fun. He said, "I'm here to make dumplings too!"

He knew how to make dumplings when he was young, so he didn't need anyone to teach him. His movements were very agile as he made dumplings.

"Grandfather, you actually know how to make dumplings?" Even Gong Tianhao was shocked. He had been together with his grandfather for more than thirty years and didn't know that his grandfather knew how to make dumplings.

Old Master Gong snorted coldly at Gong Tianhao and said, "Hmph, when I learned how to make dumplings, you probably weren't even born yet."

Gong Tianhao, "... That was probably true.

Xiao Letong went out to play for a while. When he heard that they were making dumplings at home, he came back with Xiao Ling. When he saw that everyone was making dumplings, his eyes immediately lit up. He smiled and said, "Are we eating dumplings tonight?"

Third Aunt Xiao smiled and said, "Knowing that our Tong Tong likes dumplings, we definitely have to make them."

Xiao Letong rolled up his sleeves and said eagerly, "I want to make dumplings too!"

Xiao Ling immediately echoed, "Then I'll make dumplings too!"

With so many people making dumplings together, it was lively and interesting.

Gong Tianhao immediately asked him, "Brat, do you know how to make dumplings?"

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"No," Xiao Letong said righteously, "I don't know how to make dumplings. But I can learn. Daddy, you also just learned how to roll out the dough, right?"

"Oh. Tong Tong actually knows that your father just learned how to roll out the dough?" Eldest Aunt Xiao said with a smile.

Xiao Letong said with his chest puffed out, "Of course. For a young master like him, who has been living a luxurious life since he was young, it's impossible for him to know how to cook. So he must have just learned this skill."

"Pfft!"

"Haha..."

When everyone heard Tong Tong's words, they found it funny.

Gong Tianhao, who had been ridiculed by his son, had a few black lines on his forehead. He knocked on Xiao Letong's head and scolded, "Brat, can you mock your father like that?"

Xiao Letong touched the spot where he had been knocked and said indignantly, "Daddy, I only told the truth. Also, don't hit my head anymore. What if I become dumb? Then, your child prodigy will become an idiot. You'll cry then."

"..." Gong Tianhao said, "You're on a roll, aren't you?"

Then, he raised his hand and wanted to hit Tong Tong's head again.

Xiao Letong immediately hid behind Xiao Lingyu and said, "Mommy, help!"

Gong Tianhao, "..."

Everyone, "..."

Xiao Lingyu immediately protected her son and said, "Our son isn't wrong. In the future, you're not allowed to hit his head again. You'll really cry if he turns from a genius into an idiot."

"..." Gong Tianhao saw his wife protecting his son and said innocently and jealously, "Wife, I only hit him lightly."

"No, he hit my head very hard." Xiao Letong immediately stuck his head out from behind Xiao Lingyu and complained loudly, "Mommy, you have to save me."

The others watched the family of three from the side. Then, third aunt Xiao smiled and said, "Tong Tong, why don't you hit your father back?"

Xiao Letong immediately shook his head and refused, "That won't do. He is my father. No matter what, I can't hit him."

Gong Tianhao, "...". Then, there was a smack on his head.

At this moment, Gong Tianhao touched his head and looked at his grandfather, who had knocked on his head, in a daze. He asked, "Grandfather, what are you doing?"

Old Master Gong said, "Since you knock my great-grandson's head, I will knock your head! If you dare, knock my head back!"

"..." Gong Tianhao looked at Xiao Lingyu with a wronged expression and said, "Wife, our son and grandfather are bullying me. You have to help me."

Xiao Lingyu immediately spread her hands and said with a smile, "You have offended the public. I can't help you."

Gong Tianhao, "...". Wife, don't you love me anymore?

"Haha..."

Everyone burst into laughter.

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There was strength in numbers. Over 2000 dumplings were ready in two hours.

They picked up the dumplings they were going to cook that night and kept the rest in the refrigerator.

The other food was almost ready too.

The men from the Xiao family carried a basket with nine bowls in it. There were nine kinds of things, such as tea, wine, rice, fruits, and so on. They also brought incense, candles, and firecrackers to the ancestral hall. This was a form of worship in the countryside. Every new year, they had to go to the ancestral hall to worship their ancestors.

This time, Gong Tianhao did not follow them. After all, he was not a native of Taoyuan Village.

After the Xiao family man returned from the ancestral hall, the dishes were placed on the table. Mother Xiao boiled some dumplings.

Everyone took their seats.

The person who took the seat at the head of the table was either the oldest elder or the most distinguished guest.

This time, the person who occupied the head of the table was Grandpa Xiao, followed by Old Master Gong and Grandma Xiao. The rest could sit anywhere they wanted.

After the elders took their seats, the others took their seats one by one.

The elders sat at one table, and the juniors sat at another table. As the son-in-law of the Xiao family, Gong Tianhao had a special status, so he sat at the same table as the elders.

"Where's Qiuying?" Grandma Xiao looked around and realized Mother Xiao wasn't there. "Qiuying, come and eat quickly," Grandma Xiao shouted.

"Yes, Mom, I'm coming!" Mother Xiao's voice came from the kitchen. "I'm just making the seasoning for the dumplings."

Soon, Mother Xiao carried two small bowls of soy sauce mixed with chili and a bowl of vinegar.

Mother Xiao said, "Dumplings taste better with chili and vinegar."

After placing the two small bowls on the table, Mother Xiao sat down next to Father Xiao.

Grandma Xiao smiled and said, "Qiuying, you've worked hard all day. Thank you!"

Mother Xiao smiled and said, "Everyone has been busy too. Even Tong Tong and Ling 'Er helped make the dumplings. So it wasn't that busy for me."

Xiao Letong said happily, "Yes, I've learned how to make dumplings."

Xiao Ling added, "I've learned how to make dumplings too!"

"Good, good. You two kids are great. You've worked hard." The others praised them with a smile.

"Come, everyone, fill your cups with wine. The kids can drink fruit juice." Grandpa Xiao said happily.

Then, Xiao Lingye and Xiao Lingshuo, the two juniors, poured health wine for the elders.

After everyone had their cups filled, Grandpa Xiao, the most senior member of the Xiao family, said happily, "Today is New Year's Eve. Everyone in the family is here. Tianhao woke up safe and sound and even spent new year with us. My In-law also came. I'm really happy. I hope that in the future, we will spend New Year's Eve together every year. Cheers!"

"Cheers!"

Everyone raised their glasses together.

"We'll have this reunion every year!"

"Cheers!"

After that, Grandpa Xiao added, "Everyone is promising and capable. The family is united. Mom and Dad are very happy. Thanks to Yu 'Er, everyone is rich. I hope that you won't forget this unity and harmony."

All these years, Grandpa Xiao would remind his children and grandchildren of making any mistakes. He had seen on television how wealthy families turned on each other over money. Grandpa Xiao didn't want that to happen to his descendants.

Once Eldest Uncle Xiao heard that, he said, "Dad, don't worry. We'll always be united to help Yu 'Er and her company!"

"That's right, Dad. We are rich now, but we are not ungrateful people," third uncle Xiao said seriously, "Our good days are all thanks to Yu 'Er, second brother, and second sister-in-law. We know that very well in our hearts. We will remember our duty."

Fourth Uncle Xiao also said, "Dad, if we didn't have Yu 'Er and second brother's help, we would still be farming and working for 30 RMB a day. We will always remember the kindness of Yu 'Er and second brother. Not only that, but the children will also remember it."

After Grandpa Xiao heard this, he said with satisfaction, "As long as you have this kind of self-awareness. I don't have that many years left in me. My only hope is that my children and grandchildren will be united and harmonious."

"Of course, dad."

"Of course, grandpa!"

"Good, I can now rest in peace." Grandpa Xiao said happily.

"Father, it's the New Year. Don't say these things. You will definitely live to be a hundred years old. You still have decades to live." Xiao Zhengyang smiled.

"You're right. Your mother and I will live to see more grandchildren and great-grandchildren," Grandpa Xiao said with a smile.

At this moment, grandma Xiao echoed, "That's right. We want to see Ye 'Er, Shuo 'Er, and the others get married and have children. We also want to see Tong Tong get married and have children. We also want to attend Rourou and Lulu's marriages."

“Let’s cheer for a long life!”

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The sounds of firecrackers on New Year’s Eve rang out continuously.

After Grandpa Xiao finished speaking, he said to Old Master Gong, “In-law, come. Say a few words too!”

Old Master Gong had always liked the atmosphere of the Xiao family. That was because, in the Xiao family, he and his grandson felt the warmth and happiness of home!

In the past, there were many years when he and his grandson spent the new year alone in their own home.

In fact, during the years when he was still in the army, he was so busy that he didn’t even have time to go home and eat dumplings. It was always his grandson who spent the new year alone.

He felt very sorry. But when he wanted to make up for it, his grandson had already grown up in the blink of an eye.

He had never given his grandson the warmth of a family. Therefore, he had always hoped that he would have a warm family in the future. When he came to Taoyuan village and came into contact with the Xiao family, he truly felt the harmony, warmth, and happiness of the Xiao family.

When he learned that the Xiao family had a single daughter, he immediately thought of matchmaking the two of them.

That was because he knew that once his grandson married this daughter, they would be very compatible, and his grandson would be welcomed warmly by his in-law.

Fate was such a wonderful thing.

He had not even introduced the two of them, and they had already fallen in love with each other. What surprised him, even more, was that his grandson, who had never liked to be close to women, fell in love with Xiao Lingyu at first sight. He even began to pursue her fiercely.

But the biggest surprise was that they already had a son before they even got together officially. This meant that Xiao Lingyu was destined to marry Gong Tianhao. Therefore, Old Master Gong was the biggest support when Gong Tianhao pursued Xiao Lingyu.

After the two of them got together, everyone was happy for them.

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Ever since Gong Tianhao met Xiao Lingyu, Old Master Gong saw more and more smiles on his grandson’s face. He knew that his son had made the right choice.

After his grandson and his granddaughter-in-law got married, they went through a lot. However, the rainbow always came after the storm. Now, his grandson was getting happier, and their home was getting warmer, especially now that he had a beautiful, cute, and sensible great-grandson. Old Master Gong was very gratified.

All of this was thanks to the Xiao family for raising a good daughter.

Thinking of this, Old Master Gong said, "Alright, I'll say a few words. What I want to say the most is that I'm very grateful to you guys for raising such an outstanding daughter. She is too good for my Hao 'Er.

"Because of your daughter, my Hao 'Er has become friendlier and kinder. You don't know this, but when he was young, he always had a cold face. He was cold and callous, and he had an imposing manner that kept others at a thousand miles away. However, I know that he had always longed for someone to care for him, someone to play with him, to accompany him to study, and even to eat dumplings during the new year. He was always alone at home. This makes me feel very ashamed."

Hearing Old Master Gong talk about Gong Tianhao when he was young, the Xiao family members were a little silent.

They didn't know that Gong Tianhao was so lonely when he was young. He didn't even have anyone to accompany him during the New Year.

Xiao Lingyu looked at Gong Tianhao beside her and reached out to shake his big hand to comfort him.

Xiao Letong ran up to Gong Tianhao and said to him seriously, "Daddy, you didn't have anyone to celebrate the new year with you when you were young. It's really pitiful. But don't worry. In the future, I, Mommy, great-grandfather, and everyone else will accompany you to celebrate the new year and eat dumplings."

Gong Tianhao was very touched. He picked up his son and said, "Alright, from now on, you and mommy will accompany me during the New Year. From now on, all of us will definitely gather together and celebrate the new year together every year." When he placed his head on his son's tender shoulders, his eyes turned red. He had tears in his eyes.

He was really grateful. He met Xiao Lingyu, fell in love with her, married her, and even gave birth to such a cute child. Being together as a family made him truly feel what happiness was.

"Yes, yes. From now on, we will gather together every year and celebrate the new year together!" Mother Xiao said with a smile.

The others immediately echoed, "Yes, from now on, every year, we will celebrate the new year together."

"Cheers. We will definitely celebrate the new year together every year!"

Everyone raised their glasses again.

Then, everyone began to say their new year wishes.

"I hope that all of us will be healthy and beautiful!" Eldest Uncle Xiao said.

Then, Eldest aunt Xiao said, "I hope that all of us will be healthy and safe. I also hope that Xiao Lingyun and Gong Yinxiong can get married and live a happy life!"

As soon as Eldest Aunt Xiao said that, Gong Yinxiong grabbed Xiao Lingyun's hand and said, "Mom, don't worry. Yun 'Er and I will get married as soon as possible." At this point, he paused for a moment and

said, "Dad, Mom, Grandpa, why don't you guys set an auspicious date? Of course, the sooner, the better!"

Xiao Lingyun, who was beside him, suddenly shouted with a red face, "Gong Yinxiong, who agreed to marry you?" She was embarrassed and shy.

Gong Yinxiong said very seriously, "Yun 'Er, if you don't marry me, who else are you going to marry? Rourou and Lulu have already called me daddy. You won't let them down, right?" He turned to look at Rourou and Lulu.

"Daddy!" Rourou and Lulu shouted happily.

Xiao Lingyun, "... " when did he bribe these two children?

At this moment, Xiao Lingyu said with a smile, "Yun 'Er, Yinxiong is a good man. Just accept him! He had pursued you for three years before you said yes. Do you think you can escape?"

"Haha, that's right, Yun 'Er. You can't escape from Yinxiong's hands. You should be sensible and quickly agree," Fourth aunt Xiao said with a smile, "Yinxiong is a good man. We can't miss him."

Xiao Lingye and Xiao Lingshuo looked at each other and then said loudly, "Second brother-in-law!"

Gong Yinxiong said happily, "Yes. What kind of New Year's present do you want? Second brother-in-law will give it to you."

Xiao Lingye said with a smile, "Second brother-in-law, you being our second brother-in-law is our new year present."

Gong Yinxiong raised his eyebrows and looked at Xiao Lingyun beside him, and said with a smile, "Yun 'Er, did you hear that? The two little babies, the two brothers-in-law, parents, aunts, and grandparents all want us to get married as soon as possible. What do you say?"

Xiao Lingyun, "... "

Xiao Lingyun looked around and saw that everyone was trying to set her up. Then, she said helplessly, "Fine."

Xiao Lingyu suddenly said, "Yinxiong, is this your proposal?"

Gong Yinxiong nodded and said, "Yes, I'm proposing!"

"But this isn't that sincere." Xiao Lingyu commented with a smile.

Gong Yinxiong let go of Xiao Lingyun. He took out a diamond ring from his pocket and knelt down on one knee. He said very seriously, "Xiao Lingyun, marry me! Today, in front of your parents and relatives, I promise you that I will treat you well. I will never let you suffer any grievances! I will also treat my two little babies well. I will treat them as my biological daughters. Oh, no, they are my biological daughters."

In fact, Gong Yinxiong had always known that the biggest reason why Xiao Lingyun did not agree with his pursuit was because of her two daughters. She was afraid that getting married would make her two little babies suffer.

In front of everyone, Gong Yinxiong promised that he would treat the three of them well. It was impossible for Xiao Lingyun not to be moved or touched.

However, Xiao Lingyun felt that she was not worthy of a good man like Gong Yinxiong. To put it bluntly, she was already a divorcee.

Xiao Lingyun's eyes were filled with struggle and conflict.

Gong Yinxiong had never been so nervous before.

He had always known about Xiao Lingyun's knot in her heart, so he was afraid that she would reject him.

At this moment, Old Master Gong said, "Yun 'Er, I watched this child grow up. He is a man who is brave and responsible. At the same time, he is also a very dedicated man.

"He has never been in a relationship before, nor has he had any other woman. However, after he saw you, he fell in love with you. Since he likes you, he won't care about anything else.

"To him, the past is the past.

"Yun 'Er, Yinxiong is stubborn. He is a man who is loyal to one woman. If you don't agree to marry him, he probably won't marry for the rest of his life. Don't worry. Since he promised to treat the three of you well, he will definitely do that. He will not let you suffer any grievances. Besides, Tianhao and I will be watching him."

Old Master Gong was a shrewd old man. He could see the knot in Xiao Lingyun's heart at a glance. Naturally, now was the best time to untie the knot.

Gong Tianhao nodded and said, "Sister Yun, Yinxiong has been a friend of mine since young. He's a good man, so you can marry him without worry. After you marry him, he'll be my brother-in-law. If he makes you and your two little babies suffer even the slightest bit, I'll teach him a lesson on your behalf. How about it?"

At this moment, Gong Yinxiong said, "Yun 'Er, grandfather Gong and Tianhao have given you their guarantees. What else do you have to worry about?"

"Say yes!" Xiao Letong clapped his hands and shouted, "Auntie, say yes. When he becomes my uncle, I can get a big red packet!"

Everyone, "... All this, and he just wants a big red packet?"

However, the others joined in, "Say yes, say yes..."

Xiao Lingyun touched the tears in the corner of her eyes, then nodded and said, "Yes, I'll marry you!"

After saying that, she stretched out her hand. Gong Yinxiong put the ring on her finger.

Then, everyone realized that Gong Yinxiong had proposed on New Year's Eve. Then again, it was very suitable because everyone was together. It was fortunate that Gong Yinxiong had thought of it and had made preparations long ago.

Since Xiao Lingyun had agreed, it was time to set the wedding date.

Eldest Uncle Xiao and aunt Xiao looked at each other with a relieved look in their eyes. Then, they continued with the new year wishes.

The Xiao family was not short of money now, so everyone's new year wishes were about health.

"Ye 'Er, you're already in your third year of university. Have you found a girlfriend?" Mother Xiao suddenly asked.

Xiao Lingye froze. Then, he put down his glass and said, "Mom, I'm still young. I'm only 21 years old. I don't want to fall in love so early."

Mother Xiao said with slight disappointment, "That is old enough to fall in love already." She wanted to hold another grandchild.

Xiao Lingye thought for a moment and said, "My sister only got married at 25 or 26 years old. I'm still in university and haven't achieved anything yet. How can I be in a relationship?"

Xiao Zhengyang said, "We're asking you to find a girlfriend, not to get married right away!"

Xiao Lingye immediately argued, "Dad, I can't disappoint a girl like that. I don't want to be in a relationship that doesn't have marriage as the goal. Or do you want me to do that?"

Xiao Zhengyang's expression changed, and he said loudly, "Brat, what nonsense are you talking about! I'm warning you, if you dare to trick those innocent girls, I'll break your legs."

His son was rich and handsome. He naturally would be pursued by many girls. Father Xiao was worried that his son would succumb to temptations.

Xiao Lingye wanted to roll his eyes, but he still argued, "Dad, is your son that kind of person? With my looks and excellence, many girls have been chasing me since primary school. Look at me. Have I made any mistakes?"

Xiao Zhengyang immediately patted his head and said, "Alright, just remember you are a member of the Xiao Family, and we're all upright people!"

Xiao Lingye nodded very seriously and said, "I'll remember it, Dad!"

Mother Xiao also said, "Son, all joking aside. You should take it slow when it comes to your relationship. You have to find someone you like and who likes you back. She has to have good character. Then, you'd be happy."

Xiao Lingye nodded and said, "Yes, Mom."

Then, everyone continued to talk about their new year's wishes.

When it was Xiao Lingyu's turn, she said, "I hope that all of us will be safe and healthy. The two grandpas will live to be a hundred years old!"

Gong Tianhao grabbed Xiao Lingyu's hand and said affectionately, "I am very grateful that fate allowed me to meet you and give birth to a cute, handsome, smart, and sensible son. I hope that our family will always be together and never be separated. I'm also very grateful that fate allowed me to get to know all of your family and let me know what the warmth and happiness of home is."

Xiao Lingyu said, "I also feel very lucky and happy to be married to you!"

Gong Tianhao added, "I also feel lucky and happy. Our family will always be happy!"

"Yes, we will!" Xiao Lingyu nodded.

Gong Tianhao said to the Xiao family, "Dad, Mom, Grandpa, Grandma, thank you for raising such an outstanding daughter. Don't worry. I will treat Yu 'Er well for the rest of my life. I will not let her regret marrying me! I wish you all good health and long life!"

"Yes!"

Mother Xiao's eyes were slightly red.

In the past, when Xiao Lingyu and Chen Ran were dating, they had always been on tenterhooks. This was because they knew the character of the Chen Family well. They were afraid that their daughter would be wronged and humiliated.

They had been in love for ten years, and as parents, they had been worried for ten years.

In the end, it was Chen Ran who sought death. By a fluke, she met Gong Tianhao.

Now that their daughter had married the right person, as parents, there was nothing for them to worry about anymore.

Gong Tianhao continued, "After my parents died when I was three years old, grandfather was especially busy, and I got used to being alone. I ate alone, went to school alone, and spent the new year alone. Later on, grandfather was not busy anymore and could accompany me for the New Year. However, the house was still cold and empty.

"Initially, I thought that I would continue to be alone like this. I did not expect that I would meet Yu 'Er and experience the taste of home, the warmth of home, and the happiness of home! Father, mother, grandfather, grandmother, aunts, uncles, and aunts, thank you!"

"Tianhao, you're going to make us cry!" Eldest Aunt Xiao wiped her tears and said, "From now on, you will not be lonely during the New Year. All of us will accompany you and grandfather for the New Year. It will be like this every year, alright?"

"Yes, okay!" Gong Tianhao nodded.

When Gong Tianhao said those words, Old Master Gong was very touched.

He had always felt sorry for his grandson and felt guilty.

But he really didn't know how to make up for it.

In the future, his grandson would have someone to accompany him every new year.

When it was Xiao Letong's turn, Xiao Letong tilted his head and asked, "Mommy, can you really make any new year's wish?"

Xiao Lingyu nodded and said, "Of course!"

Xiao Letong thought for a moment and said, "Yes, my wish is to get a big red packet every year!"

Everyone, "... how persistent was this child towards red packets?

Then, Xiao Letong said, "I hope that our family will always be happy!"

"Okay!" The others shouted.

Outside, the sound of fireworks could be heard. Inside, everyone raised their wine glasses happily and said loudly, "Cheers! I hope that next year, we will be healthy, safe, and happy. Everything will go smoothly!"

"Cheers!"

The bell of the new year had rung!

Have a great year ahead, everyone!

Chapter 779: Traditional Delicacies in the Countryside

After New Year's Eve, it was the new year!

The children received many big red packets. Every adult in the family gave them a red packet. Then, when the villagers saw them, they would also give them a red packet. The amount of money didn't matter, and it was the intention that counted.

Xiao Letong, Xiao Ling, and Rourou, Lulu were almost buried under the Red Packet Mountain.

Xiao Letong opened these red envelopes and said happily, "Wow, the New Year's money received this year has already reached 100,000 RMB. Hehe."

The few children received about the same amount.

If it weren't for Xiao Lingyu's insistence that the children couldn't have too much money, the adults probably would have given them a bigger red packet. The money would have been more than a million.

Even with the warning from Xiao Lingyu, the adults loved Xiao Letong very much. Normally, they didn't know how to express it, so now, they showed their love through the red packet.

Every single one of them gave a few thousand or more.

Even the villagers and other relatives and friends gave at least 300 to 500 RMB.

With all these added up, the money surpassed 100,000 easily.

Old Master Gong sneaked to Xiao Letong's room. "Tong Tong, can I come in?"

"Yes, Great-grandfather!" Xiao Letong ran over to open the door for Old Master Gong. "Great-grandfather, please come in!"

Seeing that the four children were in the small room, Old Master Gong took out four red packets, one for each of them.

Xiao Ling held the red packet in her hand and asked in puzzlement, "Great-grandfather, haven't you already given us a red packet?"

"Shh!" Old Master Gong reached out a finger to stop Xiao Ling from speaking. Then, he said very carefully, "This is the extra red packet that I gave you behind Tong Tong's mother's back. Don't let your parents find out about this, okay?"

The four children's eyes lit up, and they immediately nodded in agreement. "Okay!"

Old Master Gong looked at the red packets that filled the bed and said with a smile, "Then you guys continue counting the red packets. Great-grandfather will be leaving." Old Master Gong left quietly and even closed the door carefully.

The moment he left, the children exclaimed happily, "Wow, we have red packets again!"

The happiest thing for children was to open the red packets during the New Year.

The four children immediately opened the red packets and saw dozens of hundreds inside. They immediately poured them out and counted.

"One, two... ten, one, two... ten..."

Rourou said happily, "6666! So much money!" They had never received such a large red packet before.

Lulu looked at the money and was actually very happy in her heart.

But...

Lulu asked with some worry, "Tong Tong, auntie said that we shouldn't take red packets that have too much money from the adults. However, great-grandfather's red packet definitely has a lot of money. If auntie knew, would she be unhappy?"

Rourou's happy little face suddenly changed. She said very seriously, "Tong Tong, great-grandfather, and the others have already given us red packets. Great-grandfather gave us an extra red packet. Is this..."

Before Rourou could finish her words, there was another knock on the door.

Xiao Ling ran over and opened the door. When he saw Grandpa Xiao standing outside, he immediately called out in confusion, "Great-grandfather!"

"Ling 'Er, good boy!" Grandpa Xiao gently stroked his hair, then stuck his head in and called out, "Tong Tong, Rourou, Lulu, can great-grandfather come in?"

"Of course!" The three children answered in unison.

Grandpa Xiao walked in, turned around, and said to Xiao Ling, "Ling 'Er, come in and close the door!" He was being very mysterious.

Xiao Ling obediently closed the door.

Then, the four children saw Grandpa Xiao take out four red packets from his pocket. Each of them got one. "Come, Great-grandpa will give you another red packet. Don't let your mommy and your aunt find out, understand?"

“Yes, we understand. Thank you, Great-grandfather!” The four children took the red packet and looked very happy.

After Grandpa Xiao handed out the red packet, he saw that the bed was covered with red packets and said, “Then you guys continue to count the red packets. Great-grandfather has something to do, so he will go out first.”

After he left, the four children jumped up happily and said, “Ah, there’s another red packet!”

However, before they could finish counting the red packets, another group of adults came knocking on the door and secretly gave them red packets.

Xiao Lingye came to the children’s room and was discovered by Xiao Lingyu.

Xiao Lingyu walked into Xiao Letong’s room. She noticed that the children’s beds were already filled with red packets. There were a few red packets that were too bulky. It was obvious that there was something fishy going on.

However, she did not expose it immediately. This would make the children very unhappy.

Xiao Lingyu smiled and asked, “Tong Tong, tell Mommy. Other than accepting your uncle’s extra red packet, who else gave you extra red packets? Don’t worry. Mommy won’t take back your red packets. Mommy just wants to know.”

When Xiao Letong heard this, he knew that he might not be able to keep these red packets. His mother wouldn’t let them keep too much money. After all, they were still young and would not be able to use the money wisely.

Xiao Letong sighed softly. Then, he picked out the thick red packets from the pile of red packets and said honestly, “Uncle was the last one. Unfortunately, you caught him. This is the red packet that everyone gave us.”

Speaking of little uncle, Xiao Lingyu glanced at Xiao Lingye with her eyes. She did not agree with her brother’s actions.

Xiao Lingye, who was caught, blushed. He felt a little guilty.

He did not think that everyone in his family would have the same thought. But they were all exposed because of him. He knew that his sister would take the red packets away. He had really let his nephew down.

Xiao Lingyu raised her eyebrows at her son and asked with a smile, “So many red packets. Son, are you willing to part with them?”

Xiao Letong wiped his little face and shook his head. “I’m not willing! But if mommy has found out, what can I do?”

Xiao Lingyu sighed and asked, “Son, do you feel wronged and sad?”

Xiao Letong nodded honestly and said, “Yes, I’m a little sad and unwilling.” After all, his red packets were being taken away.

Of course, Xiao Lingyu's main purpose was not to confiscate their red packets but to educate them.

These red packets, to put it bluntly, were actually money.

But among these children, the oldest was only eight or nine years old and had no concept of money at all. They would form the habit of spending lavishly from having so much money at such a young age.

This was a very bad habit, and Xiao Lingyu was determined to curb it.

Xiao Lingyu sighed lightly, "Son, actually, mommy doesn't want to take all of your new year's money. It's just that mommy thinks that this money should be saved. When you grow up and when you need to go to school and buy things, wouldn't it be better to use the money then? Look at the money in your hands now. There's so much money. How do you plan to spend it?"

Xiao Letong's eyes lit up, and he asked excitedly, "Save it? Mommy, do you mean you will save the money for us? You won't take them?"

Xiao Lingyu gently patted his head and said with a laugh, "This new year's money is given to you by your family. It's your personal property. Mommy doesn't have the right to take your money away.

"However, you are still young, and this money is too much for you at your age. Therefore, I will save them for you for now. When you grow up and know how to spend money wisely, I will return them to you."

When Rourou and Lulu heard this, they immediately handed a few big red packets to Xiao Lingyu and said very sensibly, "Auntie, please help us save our money too!"

They were no longer the little girls who coveted the pennies in other people's hands. After being with the Xiao Family, they did not lack food, clothing, and accommodation. Moreover, they had beautiful clothes and delicious snacks. Usually, they also had some pocket money so that they could buy a lot of candy to eat.

They didn't quite understand the concept of cash yet. They only knew they could buy things with money. However, they did not know how much they could buy. Naturally, they were more inclined to have their aunt save the money for them.

Later on, Xiao Lingyu deposited the money into the bank for the four children. She made a fixed deposit for each of them.

The four kids' red packet money was quite large. The bank was very happy, so they gave them a few small gifts.

The children took these gifts and played with them happily.

Xiao Lingyu did not mention the matter of the red envelope anymore.

But the others realized their mistakes. They understood that they had gone overboard. If they gave them too much money, the children might gain vanity, comparing the money with others. That was not a good thing.

Giving red packets was a new year tradition. The money didn't matter. It was a good intention that counted.

According to the customs and traditions of Taoyuan Village, there was no visiting on the first day of the New Year. That happened on the second day.

On the first day of the Lunar New Year, the Xiao family stayed at home. They gathered together to chat, play mahjong, or go to the village square to chat and play mahjong with the villagers.

Other than a few children who had gone out to play, the Xiao family did not go out much. They moved the mahjong table from the storage room into the courtyard.

The courtyard became lively all of a sudden.

Gong Tianhao accompanied Grandpa Xiao, Grandpa Gong, and Grandma Xiao to play mahjong.

There was nothing they could do. Compared to playing cards, the three elders preferred to play mahjong.

Father Xiao and his brothers gathered together to play cards. Naturally, Gong Tianhao took on the task of accompanying the three elders.

All year round, things were very busy. Usually, they didn't have the time to rest.

Now that everyone was together, mother Xiao soaked 30 catties of rice last night.

What was she doing soaking so much rice?

She was making two kinds of traditional snacks in Taoyuan Village. The first was called Mi Guo, and the second was called Fen Pi. Both snacks would be stuffed.

Mi Guo and Fen Pi were made from rice milk, which was a traditional delicacy made from rice.

The rice was soaked for less than six hours and then directly poured out.

Then, one would have to burn dry straws, wood chips, and so on. The ashes were tightly wrapped up in cloth. The bag of ashes was thrown into a pot of water to boil. After that, the ash water was filtered again.

One catty of ash water would be paired with one catty of rice water. Then, with some leeks, the mixture would be made into green rice home. Of course, there was a difference in how each family made rice milk.

The rice milk used to make Mi Guo needed to be mixed with a little bit of cooked lime. This was to increase the solidifying power of the Mi Guo.

After the rice milk was beaten into rice paste, it was placed in the pot and boiled. Big fire at first, and then after the mixture was boiling, the fire would be turned down.

While the mixture was boiling, one had to stir the pot continuously, or the rice milk would be charred.

As the rice milk was stirred, it slowly began to solidify. Eventually, it would solidify into a ball. When it was not too sticky, the ball could be lifted up and placed on the prepared table. The table had to be smeared with cooking oil, or the ball would stick.

The stirring process was too exhausting, so the task was left to the young and strong Xiao Lingye.

During the cooking of the rice milk, a few women were preparing the fillings. There were radish meat fillings, eggplant meat fillings, pickled cabbage fillings, raised meat fillings, beef fillings, and a kind of salted radish stuffing stir-fried with chili.

The rice ball was kneaded evenly and cut into smaller balls. The women used the tool to flatten the small ball. It was like making dumplings. After that, the filling would be added.

After the filling was wrapped, it was placed in a steamer. Mi Guo would be steamed for fifteen to twenty minutes. The ready Mi Guo would be green, hot, and fragrant.

As for the Fen Pi, it was much simpler to make.

There was no need for lime to make Fen Qi. After the rice milk was ready, the milk was filtered through a pan woven from thin bamboo strips. Then, the filtered milk would be cooked on a big fire. After a while, the milk would solidify. Then a chopstick would be used to cut the solid milk into four parts. After stuffing them with fillings, they could be eaten.

Xiao Lingshuo held two plates of freshly baked Fen Pi and shouted loudly, "Let's eat the Fen Pi."

Fen Pi was easier to make, so they were ready first. The Mi Guo would still take some time.

When Gong Tianhao heard that the Fen Pi was ready, his eyes immediately lit up.

He said carefully, "Grandpa, grandma, we've played Mahjong for the entire morning. You must be hungry. Should we eat Fen Pi first? We can continue after we're full."

He immediately ran away.

Gong Tianhao was very nervous at the mahjong table.

On the one hand, he wanted to go easy on the elders, but he couldn't make it too obvious. Playing mahjong like this made him tremble in fear.

Later in the afternoon, he would let Xiao Lingye accompany them to play.

However, he really liked eating these traditional rural snacks. They were homemade, and they were really delicious.

He felt that they were even better than dumplings. He loved the Fen Pi with the salty radish. It was spicy and salty.

"These Fen Pi are really delicious!" After everyone ate it, they all praised it.

In the past, they would have the luxury of enjoying these snacks whenever it rained. Their wives would prepare these snacks since they couldn't work in the fields. However, things had gotten so busy since

Taoyuan Village became a tourist destination. Their wives didn't have time to make these snacks anymore. They only had the chance to eat these snacks during New Year.

Xiao Lingyu saw Gong Tianhao eating seriously and asked, "Tianhao, do you like to eat these Fen Pi?"

Gong Tianhao nodded and said, "Yes, I like to eat them. They are very fragrant and delicious."

Xiao Lingyu smiled when she heard that.

Her smile was very bright and filled with happiness.

Chapter 780: Full House

The Xiao family had a three-day holiday. Then on the second day of the Lunar New Year, Taoyuan Village was open to the public.

With the improvement of living standards, people sought a higher quality of life. In the past, people spent the new year at home, watching TV and playing cards, or visiting relatives and friends.

Nowadays, many people chose to travel.

Usually, they were busy earning money and didn't have much time to go out. Now, they wanted to take advantage of the few days of vacation to go out and have a look.

Many rich people chose to travel abroad. Families with average economic standards chose to travel domestically.

In recent years, Taoyuan Village became more and more famous. In particular, Taoyuan Village was famous for its peach blossom forests and natural idyllic scenery.

Last year, the most famous project in the Peach Blossom Village was the peach blossoms in winter. It was said that the peach blossoms in winter had not withered yet.

Therefore, those who did not have time to admire them during the winter wanted to take advantage of the New Year holiday to come to take a look and take a photo.

On the second day of New Year, every family got up early in the morning. They made preparations to welcome the guests.

At the same time, Xiao Lingyu held a simple meeting for the entire village and all the staff. They didn't know how many guests they would have but based on past experience, the number of visitors this year would only be higher.

Xiao Lingyu requested everyone to be polite, and she also emphasized the importance of security and safety. When there were too many people, the probability of a stampede accident was very high.

In the past two to three years, the number of tourists during the holidays had reached its peak. It became crowded everywhere, causing some tourists to feel irritated and angry. Then, they pushed the tourists next to them. This behavior directly caused all the tourists to feel angry. It created a mob.

One of the tourists accidentally fell, but the tourists around didn't see him and almost stepped on him. For some reason, the tourists' movements became much slower, and the tourists who fell quickly climbed up. That was why no further accidents happened.

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Xiao Lingyu had to come and appease the mob before they dispersed.

From then on, Xiao Lingyu started to restrict the flow of tourists.

When the number of tourists on the farm reached a certain level, they would stop selling tickets. They would wait for a portion of the tourists to come out before putting them in.

This had caused the dissatisfaction and anger of some tourists who had come from afar, but there was nothing they could do about it.

After all, they had come all the way here, but they could not enter.

Usually, the farm rarely had a full flow of customers. This only happened during holidays, but not all holidays. In the past two years, it had only reached this level during the New Year.

However, as Taoyuan Village's reputation grew, the business was getting better and better year by year. Therefore, they really had to pay attention to safety. If an accident happened, the reputation of Taoyuan Village would be greatly damaged.

"Pay attention to the situation at all times. Once there are signs of an accident, report it immediately!" Xiao Lingyu said very seriously.

"Yes, CEO Xiao!" Everyone replied in unison.

"Alright, everyone, go and make preparations. Then, the door will open to welcome the arrival of the tourists!" Xiao Lingyu nodded.

After everyone left, Gong Tianhao stood behind her and massaged her shoulders. "Yu 'Er, you've worked hard!"

Xiao Lingyu leaned on him and asked with a smile, "Why are you here? Don't you want to sleep more?"

Gong Tianhao smiled and said, "I can't sleep without you by my side!"

Xiao Lingyu, "... her face turned slightly red.

The two of them were an old married couple, but the occasional words of love from Gong Tianhao still made Xiao Lingyu feel embarrassed.

Xiao Lingyu pushed him and said, "Hubby, I'll be very busy today and don't have much time to accompany you. Why don't you spend more time with Grandpa and the others?"

Gong Tianhao raised his eyebrows and said with a smile, "I don't think they want me around. When I got up, Grandpas and Grandma are already sitting in the courtyard, waiting for the guests to come."

"..." Xiao Lingyu shook her head gently and said with a helpless smile, "Grandpa and the others just can't stay idle."

Gong Tianhao nodded and said, "Yes, the older they are, the more restless they are! Today is the first day of business in Taoyuan Village. I've heard that the first day of business in the new year will be very crowded. That's why Grandpas and Grandma are very concerned and sent me here to assist you."

Xiao Lingyu nodded.

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The main gate of Taoyuan Village would be opened at eight o'clock in the morning.

It was only past seven o'clock, and the outside was already filled with tourists. There was a long line at the ticket office.

"What time does this farm open?" A tourist asked with some doubt.

"I saw on the Internet that it's eight o'clock!" Someone answered his doubts.

"8? I came to line up at six o'clock," a tourist said. "There are too many people coming here. I don't want to be late and can't get a ticket."

"Can't get a ticket?!" Someone said in surprise, "Isn't this too exaggerated?"

"I don't know if it's exaggerated or not. After all, I've never been here before. In the past, I wanted to come to this farm and taste the various delicacies inside. But because of work, I was too busy and didn't have the time. Now that the new year has finally arrived and there are a few days of holidays, my family has discussed coming here to take a look. I heard that the village has peach blossoms in winter. It's really beautiful. It doesn't seem to have withered yet. We can still take a look."

"I'm actually here for the delicious food," another tourist beside him said, "There are all kinds of delicious food. I heard that the secret is the raw ingredients. I've been here in the past, and I can't forget about the food. So, whenever I have time, I'll come over." This person was obviously a foodie.

These tourists were lining up in groups. Even though they didn't know each other, they were still chatting so happily. It was really lively.

The people at the front of the line looked at the long line behind them. They were clearly a little surprised. "Why are there so many people lining up all of a sudden?"

With that, she took out her phone from her bag and looked at the time. It had not even been half an hour since she arrived, and the queue was already endless.

It was her first time here. When she heard that the farm would open at eight o'clock, she was not willing to come so early. However, her friend had dragged her here.

Her friend said, "You don't know how good the business at the farm is. There are so many people. If we don't go there early, we will have to queue for more than half a day to buy tickets. Moreover, we don't even know if there will be any tickets left."

"Ah?" She said with confusion, "It's not like we are buying movie tickets. How can there be no tickets? It's such a big place. Don't tell me that only a few people are allowed in?"

Her friend glanced at her and said helplessly, "Before you came here, hadn't you learned anything about Taoyuan Village on the internet?"

She was stunned, shook her head, and said, "No!"

"No wonder!" Her friend rubbed her forehead and said helplessly, "This place is very magical. There are many things that attract tourists. There are many reviews on the internet. They are all positive."

"Could they be from the 50-cent army?" The person said in disbelief, "After all, this is just a village."

"..." When her friend heard this, she immediately waved her hand and said, "Fine, I won't try to persuade you anymore. Seeing is believing. Let's go. Just in case, let's go over there and line up earlier. I see that many netizens have chosen to travel to the Taoyuan Village this year."

She had always thought that her friend was exaggerating, but now that she saw 20 to 30 long lines with no end in sight, coupled with the information about the Taoyuan village that she had found on her phone, she agreed with her friend.

She said to her friend, "What's so interesting about this farm?"

Her friend said, "I don't know either. But we'll know when we go in."

At 8 o'clock, the ticket office officially opened.

Because it was New Year, the ticket office had a new year gift for tourists.

Each tourist had a new year red packet. Inside the red packet was a coupon that the tourist could spend inside the farm.

After the tourists received the red packet, they were very happy.

The tourists came one after another. Even though there were 25 ticket sales windows, the line only increased. However, the ticket seller still methodically gave the tourists tickets.

As soon as the tourists walked into the farm, they felt that it was much warmer inside than outside.

"I heard from a friend that the farm is warm even in winter. It looks like it's true."

"Did you see that? The flowers and trees here are much lush and green than outside. The scenery is really beautiful. It seems that the farm has put in a lot of effort," Someone praised.

"If they don't put in a lot of effort, how can they attract tourists?"

"There are so many tourist farms in the country. Why is Taoyuan Village so successful?"

"I heard that many farms want to imitate the model of this farm, but they simply fail at it."

"Speaking of which, I've also gone to other farms to take a look. I only saw some rural characteristics, but I didn't see anything new, which made me lose interest. So, in the end, I came back here. This place is just magical."